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INFO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI

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AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG, KU, JA

SUBJECT: KUWAIT LPG SALE TO JAPAN

REF: KUWAIT 100

1. KUWAIT PRESS HAS REPEATED REUTERS ITEM DATED TOKYO WHICH REPORTED SALE BY GOK OF 240,000 TONS LPG TO KYODO OIL COMPANY AND MARUZEN OIL COMPANY OF JAPAN. ACCORDING THIS REPORT CONTRACT IS FOR 1975 AND PRICE WILL BE \$125 PER TON. APPARENTLY THIS FIRST MAJOR DEAL FOR LPG BY JAPANESE COMPANIES MADE DIRECTLY WITH PRODUCER GOVERNMENT. TRADITIONALLY JAPAN HAS BEEN IMPORTING LPG FROM MAJORS IN KUWAIT, SAUDI ARABIA AND JAPAN, ACCORDING PRESS STORY.

2. COMMENT: IF REUTERS STORY CORRECT IT SUGGESTS THAT GOK CHARGING JAPANESE COMPANIES \$3 LESS PER TON THAN WAS CHARGED TO  
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EUROPEAN/LATIN AMERICAN GROUP LATE LAST SUMMER. ON OTHER HAND,

AND EMBASSY TOKYO MAY WISH COMMENT, \$125 TON COST IS HIGHEST  
JAPANESE COMPANIES ARE KNOWN TO HAVE PAID FOR KUWAITI LPG. AS  
NOTED REFTEL MARUZEN RECENTLY REACHED AGREEMENT WITH GOK FOR  
10,000 BPD KUWAIT CRUDE OIL.  
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